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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(3), Applicants hereby petition for consideration of the instant Information Disclosure Statement. Submitted herewith is the requisite fee of \$130.00 petition fee. A duplicate of this paper is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (0756-945).

A copy of the references cited is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

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